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The Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20505

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MEMORANDUM FOR NATIONAL FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT: Unauthorized Disclosures

1. The spate of security leaks we've had in recent weeks is disturbing to all of us. We must do everything we can to put our house in order in the Executive Branch. As members of NFIB we are working on this aspect of the problem both individually and collectively.

2. At the same time, we also are aware of problems with leaks on Capitol Hill. Many of these, I suspect, are inadvertencies perhaps because we do not always make as clear as we should when we give briefings on the Hill the extent to which our material is classified and at what level. I would suggest that it would be a helpful move if we each made it a practice whenever briefing on Capitol Hill (or elsewhere for that matter) to start our briefing with a statement of the highest level of material that was to be covered; a request for assurance from senior persons being briefed that all persons in the room were cleared for that level of information; and a polite reminder of the importance of preserving the sanctity of such information. I would appreciate your cooperation in doing this in all circumstances where it is appropriate in order to refocus high-level attention on this serious problem.


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